

Survey #2

Winter 2017

N=444 Detroit residents. Interviews were self-administered and conducted online as well as using paper and pencil between March and June 2017. Respondents were recruited via mail from the list of 714 adults who responded to the first wave of the DMACS survey. The margin of sampling error for a random sample survey of this size is 4.7 percentage points at the 95% confidence level. The data have been weighted using a raking procedure by age, education, sex, and race to match Census estimates for the City of Detroit.

INTRODUCTION: Your participation in this study is completely voluntary. You may skip any question that you do not wish to answer. However, your participation is important because it helps researchers understand how people perceive changes in the Greater Detroit Metropolitan area, and this information can be used to inform policy decisions affecting the area. When filling out this questionnaire, please remember there are no right or wrong answers, we are just interested in what you think. We take our promise of confidentiality very seriously. All of your answers will be kept strictly confidential. No personally identifying information will ever appear in any study report. If you find that you are disturbed by the content of any of the questions or if you have any questions about the study, please contact us at our toll-free number: 1-800-759-7947.

- 1. Over the past several years, significant new investments have been made by foundations, government and private companies in the Downtown and Midtown areas of Detroit. We would like to know which of the following groups you think are benefiting more from the investments being made in Downtown and Midtown Detroit.
- a. Who benefits more from the investments being made in Downtown and Midtown Detroit?
 Select one, please.

People who live in the city of Detroit	20%
People who live elsewhere in the metro Detroit area (Wayne, Macomb, Oakland, Washtenaw counties)	38%
Both groups benefit about the same amount	24%
Neither group benefits	3%
Don't know	13%
SKIPPED/MISSING	3%

¹ Raking is a statistical procedure that addresses differences between the sample and population proportions of characteristics in the population (such as age, gender, education, and race) that may arise from under-coverage or nonresponse in sample surveys. For more information, see "Raking" in Lavrakas, P. J. (2008). Encyclopedia of survey research methods Thousand Oaks, CA: SAGE Publications Ltd.

b. Who benefits more from the
investments being made in
Downtown and Midtown Detroit?
Select one, please.

Detroit residents who live closer to downtown	45%
Detroit residents who live further away from	14%
downtown	
Both groups benefit about the same amount	24%
Neither group benefits	5%
Don't know	8%
SKIPPED/MISSING	3%

c. Who benefits more from the investments being made in Downtown and Midtown Detroit? Select one, please.

Long-time residents of Detroit	10%
People who recently moved to Detroit	37%
Both groups benefit about the same amount	30%
Neither group benefits	9%
Don't know	10%
SKIPPED/MISSING	4%

d. Who benefits more from the investments being made in Downtown and Midtown Detroit? Select one, please.

Wealthier people	70%
Poorer people	2%
Both groups benefit about the same amount	15%
Neither group benefits	1%
Don't know	10%
SKIPPED/MISSING	3%

e. Who benefits more from the investments being made in Downtown and Midtown Detroit? Select one, please.

Black people	2%
White people	47%
Both groups benefit about the same amount	28%
Neither group benefits	3%
Don't know	16%
SKIPPED/MISSING	3%



NOW WE HAVE SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT TRANSPORTATION.

2. Please indicate how frequently, if ever, you currently use the following forms of transportation.

·	Daily or almost daily	Weekly	Several times a month	Less often	Never	SKIPPED /MISSING
a. Drive a car, truck or motorcycle	60%	6%	6%	8%	16%	4%
b. Take a bus	7%	3%	8%	27%	49%	7%
c. Use a paratransit service (i.e., on- demand public transit for people with disabilities or limited mobility)	2%	1%	5%	5%	80%	7%
 d. Walk or ride a bike somewhere (not including for exercise) 	13%	8%	14%	24%	35%	6%
e. Take a taxi that you requested over the phone or hailed on the street	0%	1%	6%	26%	61%	6%
f. Use a ride-hailing service like Uber or Lyft	1%	4%	9%	11%	69%	6%
g. Use a bike-sharing service	0%	1%	1%	3%	89%	6%
h. Use a car-sharing service like ZipCar or Car2Go	0%	1%	0%	1%	91%	7%
i. Have someone drive you to your destination	7%	8%	23%	29%	28%	5%

3. Do you own or lease a car, truck, or motorcycle? (Please consider any operational vehicle you own personally, as well as those you share with another member of your household.)

Yes	63%
No	34%
SKIPPED/MISSING	3%

4. In the last month, have you been forced to miss an appointment, skip going somewhere, or miss work because you did not have a way to get there?

Yes	24%
No	74%
SKIPPED/MISSING	2%



5. On a scale of 1 to 7, where 1 is completely dissatisfied and 7 is completely satisfied, how satisfied are you with your transportation options for getting to work, school, appointments, shopping, social events, visiting friends or family, or other activities?

1 – Very Dissatisfied	6%
2 – Mostly Dissatisfied	5%
3 - Somewhat Dissatisfied	14%
TOTAL DISSATISFIED	25%
4 – Neither Satisfied or Dissatisfied	17%
5 – Somewhat Satisfied	17%
6 – Mostly Satisfied	9%
7 – Very Satisfied	27%
TOTAL SATISFIED	53%
SKIPPED/MISSING	5%

WE ARE INTERESTED IN YOUR VIEWS ON STEPS THAT COULD BE TAKEN TO IMPROVE TRANSPORTATION AND MOBILITY IN AND AROUND DETROIT. IN THE NEXT SET OF QUESTIONS, WE WILL PRESENT LISTS OF IDEAS FOR IMPROVING TRANSPORTATION AND MOBILITY AND ASK YOU TO CHOOSE THE 'BEST' AND 'WORST' IDEA FROM EACH LIST. IT MAY SEEM LIKE WE ARE ASKING THE SAME QUESTION SEVEN TIMES, BUT EACH QUESTION WILL ACTUALLY CONTAIN A DIFFERENT COMBINATION OF IDEAS TO CHOOSE FROM.

6a-m. Which of these ideas for improving transportation and mobility in and around Detroit is the <u>BEST</u>? Which of these ideas for improving transportation and mobility in and around Detroit is the WORST?

	Percent of time selected as BEST	Percent of time selected as WORST	Percent of time not chosen	Best- Worst Scores
Lowering the cost of auto insurance for Detroit residents	55%	11%	34%	0.41
Improving the condition of streets and roads	26%	15%	59%	0.13
Improving frequency and reliability of existing bus service	26%	16%	58%	0.1
Adding more public transportation routes and services	29%	20%	52%	0.08
Adding and repairing sidewalks	6%	19%	75%	-0.11
Create more parking	6%	33%	61%	-0.24
Creating more bike lanes	4%	38%	58%	-0.29

² Best-Worst Scores are calculated as (number of times an item chosen as BEST-WORST/ number of times an item appeared). Positive scores mean an item was chosen as BEST more often than as WORST. For more information, see Louviere, J. J., Flynn, T. N., & Marley, A. A. (2015). Best-worst scaling: Theory, methods and applications. Cambridge University Press.



NOW WE HAVE SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD.

7. The word "neighborhood" means different things to different people. In general, when you think about your neighborhood, which of the following options best describes that geographical area.

The area within a 5 minute walk of my home	16%
The area within a 5 - 10 minute walk of my home	26%
The area within a 10-15 minute walk of my home	16%
The area within a 15-20 minute walk of my home	22%
A larger geographic area	14%
Other (explain)	1%
SKIPPED/MISSING	5%

8. Does your neighborhood have a name? 9 (IF YES) What is it? (HELD FOR LATER RELEASE)

Yes	46%
No	50%
SKIPPED/MISSING	4%

10. Please indicate whether you believe the following items are excellent, good, poor, or very poor.

	Excellent	Good	Poor	Very Poor	Don't Know	SKIPPED/ MISSING
a. When you think about the public services in and around your neighborhood, like roads, education, and police, do you think these services are an excellent value for the local taxes you pay, a good value, a poor value or a very poor value for your local taxes?	7%	31%	29%	23%	5%	5%
b. How would you rate the availability of arts, cultural activities, and nightlife options in and around your neighborhood?	9%	32%	23%	24%	7%	5%
c. How would you rate the availability of parks or recreation facilities in and around your neighborhood?	6%	32%	27%	23%	6%	6%
d. How would you rate the availability of shops and stores in and around your neighborhood?	7%	43%	25%	16%	3%	6%



11. Many communities have non-profit groups and other volunteer organizations that work on local problems like providing aid to the needy or services for children.

Would you say that organizations like this in and around your neighborhood are very active, somewhat active, not too active, or not active at all?

Very Active	14%
Somewhat Active	34%
Not too Active	21%
Not Active at all	13%
Don't Know	12%
SKIPPED/MISSING	5%

12. Next are some statements about how people in your neighborhood get along with one another. Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with each statement.

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither agree or disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	TOTAL DIS- AGREE	TOTAL AGREE	SKIPPED /MISSING
a. This is a close-knit neighborhood	9%	14%	35%	28%	8%	23%	36%	6%
b. People around here are willing to help their neighbors	10%	12%	17%	41%	13%	22%	54%	6%
c. People in this neighborhood generally get along with each other	8%	11%	20%	44%	12%	19%	56%	5%
d. People in this neighborhood can be trusted	15%	16%	27%	26%	8%	31%	34%	7%
e. People in this neighborhood share the same values	15%	14%	33%	27%	6%	29%	33%	6%



13. What sources do you use to get information about your neighborhood?

	Yes	No
Members of your household	32%	68%
Talking with neighbors	54%	45%
Social media or email groups	33%	66%
Newspapers	25%	74%
Internet news sites	21%	79%
Radio or television news	35%	65%
Government websites	6%	93%
I do not receive information about my neighborhood	11%	89%
Other (explain)	8%	92%
SKIPPED/MISSING	19	%

THE NEXT QUESTIONS ARE ABOUT STRESSFUL LIFE EVENTS THAT MANY PEOPLE EXPERIENCE.

14. Have any of the following events happened to you or someone else you know in the last year? Select all that apply

	Happened to me	Happened to a family member	Happened to a friend	Happened to someone else I know	Never happened to me or anyone I know	SKIPPED /MISSING
a. Being laid off, fired, or involuntarily losing a job	21%	26%	18%	21%	30%	1%
b. Being evicted or otherwise forced to leave a living arrangement	13%	10%	14%	28%	42%	1%
c. Being incarcerated for a week or more	6%	15%	7%	22%	52%	1%
 d. Being a victim of a violent crime 	7%	8%	12%	22%	54%	1%
e. Having contact with the police	24%	15%	12%	20%	39%	1%
f. Having excessive force used against someone by the police	1%	8%	8%	15%	68%	1%



NOW WE HAVE SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT THE POLICE AND YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD.

15. Do you think recent killings of African American men by police are isolated incidents or are they part of a broader pattern of how police treat African Americans?

Isolated incidents	12%
Part of a broader pattern	55%
Don't know	29%
SKIPPED/MISSING	4%

16. Here are some reasons that have been given for police violence against civilians. For each one, please indicate whether you think it is a major reason, a minor reason, or not a reason at all.

	Major Reason	Minor Reason	Not a Reason at all	Don't Know	SKIPPED/ MISSING
 a. Most police are inadequately trained to deal with perceived threats. 	42%	20%	12%	21%	6%
b. Consequences for police misconduct are minimal and few police officers are prosecuted for excessive use of force.	56%	12%	8%	17%	6%
c. Violence against police officers causes fear on the part of the police.	41%	22%	13%	19%	6%
d. Some civilians confront the police when they are stopped rather than cooperating.	30%	30%	16%	18%	6%
e. There are poor relations between police and the public they serve.	51%	23%	6%	14%	5%
f. Problems with race relations in our society cause police to treat minorities unjustly.	56%	14%	8%	16%	5%

17. In general, do you think the police in and around Detroit are more likely to use deadly force against a black person, or are more likely to use it against a white person, or do you think race does not affect police use of deadly force?

More likely to use deadly force against a black	52%
person	
More likely to use deadly force against a white	1%
person	
Race does not affect the use of deadly force	23%
Don't know	20%
SKIPPED/MISSING	5%



THESE NEXT FEW QUESTIONS WILL ASK YOU ABOUT RACIAL, ETHNIC, AND SOCIOECONOMIC DIVERSITY.

18. Do you think race relations in the United States are . . .

Very good	2%
Somewhat good	12%
TOTAL GOOD	14%
Neither good nor bad	13%
Somewhat bad	27%
Very bad	36%
TOTAL BAD	63%
Don't know	5%
SKIPPED/MISSING	3%

19. Do you think race relations in your neighborhood are . . .

Very good	12%
Somewhat good	27%
TOTAL GOOD	39%
Neither good nor bad	29%
Somewhat bad	10%
Very bad	5%
TOTAL BAD	15%
Don't know	14%
SKIPPED/MISSING	3%



20. Please tell us how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.

	Strongly Disagree	Somewhat Disagree	Neither agree or disagree	Somewhat Agree	Strongly Agree	Don't Know	TOTAL DIS- AGREE	TOTAL AGREE	SKIPPED/ MISSING
a. Differences in income in Metro Detroit are too large	11%	6%	17%	23%	27%	11%	17%	50%	4%
b. Large differences in income are necessary for Metro Detroit's prosperity	28%	12%	16%	15%	10%	14%	40%	25%	5%
c. It is the responsibility of the government to reduce differences in income between people with high incomes and those with low incomes	12%	12%	22%	19%	18%	13%	24%	37%	4%

THE NEXT SET OF QUESTIONS ARE ABOUT WAYS OF ENGAGING WITH LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS.

21. In the past 12 months, have you done any of the following?

	Yes	No	SKIPPED/ MISSING
a. Contacted a government official to express your opinion on a political issue	15%	84%	1%
b. Taken part in a protest, march, or demonstration about any social or political issue	14%	85%	1%
c. Talked with others in your community or neighborhood about dealing with a community issue or problem	40%	59%	1%
d. Shared information about a political issue or candidate via social media	23%	76%	1%
e. Signed a petition	44%	55%	1%
f. Attended a political meeting or rally	9%	90%	1%
g. Worked on a community project	15%	84%	1%
h. Volunteered for a community organization	16%	83%	1%
i. Volunteered in a church or school	25%	74%	1%
j. Volunteered for a political campaign	6%	93%	1%
k. Contributed money to a charitable organization or cause	34%	65%	1%
l. Contributed money to a political campaign	8%	91%	1%



22. In the past month, how much time did you spend doing volunteer activities for or through an organization – that is, activities for which you were not paid, except perhaps expenses.

Please include activities that are done for or through charities, schools, youth, neighborhood, or religious organizations.

None	49%
Less than an hour	9%
1-2 hours	11%
3-4 hours	9%
5-8 hours	8%
9 or more hours	8%
SKIPPED/MISSING	6%

23. What was the total dollar value of all donations you and your immediate family made in the past year (2016) toward religious and charitable purposes?

\$0-\$100	41%
\$101-\$500	15%
\$501-\$1,000	10%
\$1,0001 or more	10%
Don't Know	19%
SKIPPED MISSING	5%

24. Do you own your home, rent it, or have some other arrangement? If you responded "own or paying for via mortgage" to question number 24, please go to question 25. If you responded "rent" or "some other arrangement" to question number 24, please skip questions 25 and 26 and go to question 27. (N=204)

Own or paying for via mortgage	33%
Rent	52%
Some other arrangement	11%
SKIPPED/MISSING	4%

25. If you were to sell your house today, how much do you think it would be worth? (If "own or paying for mortgage" to question number 24) (N=204)

\$0	3%
\$1-\$19,999	21%
\$20,000-\$39,999	22%
\$40,000-\$74,999	18%
\$75,000-\$149,999	11%
\$150,000-\$499,999	7%
SKIPPED/MISSING	18%



26. How do you think the value of your home has changed in the last 3 years? (If "own or paying for via mortgage" to question number 24) (N=204)

It has increased	37%
It has decreased	39%
It has stayed more or less the same	9%
SKIPPED/MISSING	15%

27. Which statement best describes your current employment status? (If you responded "Retired," "Not employed for pay," "Disabled (unable to work)," "Student," or "Other" to question number 27, please skip questions 28, 29, and 30, and go to question 31.)

Employed full-time	27%
Employed part-time	9%
Retired	20%
Not employed for pay	9%
Disabled (unable to work)	21%
Student	8%
Other	10%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

28. Which of the following best describes your current paid work? (If you responded "Employed full-time," or "Employed part-time," to question number 27" N=159)

An employee of a private for-profit company or business	45%
An employee of a private not-for-profit, tax exempt, or charitable organization	16%
A government employee (local, state, or federal government)	23%
Self-employed	11%
SKIPPED/MISSING	5%

29. Is the location of your current workplace . . . (If you responded "Employed full-time," or "Employed part-time," to question number 27" N=159)

Inside the City of Detroit	52%
Outside the City of Detroit	46%
Don't Know	1%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

30. Does your employer withhold any income tax from your pay check? In other words, are some of your wages automatically sent to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to cover taxes on your income? (If you responded "Employed full-time," or "Employed part-time," to question number 27" N=59)

Yes	76%
No	15%
Don't Know	8%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%



31. How did you file your income taxes last year?

I filed my taxes electronically (on-line) using tax-preparation tool software, like Turbo Tax	25%
I had an accountant file my taxes or use a company (like H&R Block)	31%
I filled out hard copies of tax forms and mailed them to the IRS	5%
I don't know how my taxes were filed last year	1%
I did not file taxes last year	20%
SKIPPED/MISSING	17%

32. Thinking about the reasons why some people do not pay their income taxes, please indicate to what extent you agree or disagree with the following statements.

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither	Agree	Strongly Agree	Don't Know	TOTAL DIS- AGREE	TOTAL AGREE	SKIPPED/ MISSING
a. The risk of getting caught is low.	23%	9%	13%	10%	7%	30%	32%	17%	8%
b. There is a culture of tax evasion in Detroit – everyone who has the opportunity to evade tax does so.	17%	8%	13%	14%	10%	30%	25%	24%	8%
c. The taxes collected are used poorly.	6%	8%	13%	23%	17%	22%	14%	39%	10%
d. The potential consequences (fines and penalties) of getting caught are not serious enough to stop people evading paying their taxes.	17%	9%	12%	16%	10%	27%	26%	26%	8%
e. People think they pay too much tax on what they earn already.	6%	4%	8%	23%	31%	20%	10%	54%	7%
f. People feel they do not get paid enough for the work they do.	4%	4%	8%	18%	42%	15%	8%	60%	8%
g. Tax evasion is a serious problem in the City of Detroit.	8%	4%	16%	12%	16%	38%	12%	28%	7%



33. We are interested to know the reasons you chose to complete the paper version of our survey rather than going online and completing the online version. Which of the following statements best characterize your reasons for responding to our survey via paper? (N=137)

I just find a paper questionnaire easier to deal with	54%
I lack easy access to the internet	33%
I do not feel comfortable enough doing things like this on a computer, tablet, or cell phone	24%
It would take me more time online	15%
I have more concerns about security online than I do with a paper questionnaire	18%
Other (explain)	10%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

DEMOGRAPHICS AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION FROM WAVE 1 – NOT ASKED AGAIN IN THIS SURVEY, QUESTION NUMBERS CORRESPOND TO ORDER IN WAVE 1

38. Please enter your month and year of birth.

Under 35	31%
35-54	31%
55-64	16%
65 and older	16%
MEAN	47
SKIPPED/MISSING	6%

39. We would like you to tell us the age and gender of each adult currently living in your household, including yourself. Please remember to include unrelated individuals (such as roommates), and those now away traveling, at school, or in a hospital.

Male	46%
Female	54%

40. Do you or anyone in this household connect to the Internet from home, at least occasionally?

Yes	74%
No	25%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%



41. Do you access the internet on a cell phone, tablet or other mobile handheld device, at least occasionally?

Yes	81%
No	17%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%

42. Are you of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin, such as Mexican, Puerto Rican or Cuban?

Yes	4%
No	94%
SKIPPED/MISSING	2%

43. Please indicate what you consider your racial background to be. We greatly appreciate your effort to describe your background using the standard categories provided. These race categories may not fully describe you, but they do match those used by the Census Bureau. It helps us to compare our survey respondents to the U.S. population. Information about your racial background is very important to us. We greatly appreciate your response and will keep it strictly confidential.

White	15%
Black or African-American	78%
Asian or Asian-American	3%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0%
SKIPPED/MISSING	3%

44. Where were you born?

your race?

United States	97%
Puerto Rico	0%
Another Country	2%
SKIPPED/MISSING	1%



46. What is the highest level of school you	No formal education	2%
have completed? Select one, please.	Some education but did not graduate	18%
	from high school or receive a GED	
	High school diploma or GED	31%
	Some college, no degree	24%
	Associate's degree	8%
	Bachelor's degree	7%
	Master's degree	5%
	Professional or doctorate degree	2%
	SKIPPED/MISSING	3%
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47. Are you now married, widowed, divorced,	Married	16%
separated, never married, or living with a	Widowed	10%
partner? Select one, please.	Divorced	19%
	Separated	5%
	Never Married	44%
	Living with Partner SKIPPED/MISSING	5% 2%
48. Do you consider yourself to be: Select all	Heterosexual or straight	84%
•	Gay or lesbian	2%
that apply, please.	Bisexual	2%
	Something else	1%
	Prefer not to answer	8%
	SKIPPED/MISSING	2%
49. Generally speaking, do you usually think	Republican	3%
of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, an	Democrat	69%
independent, or what? Select one, please.	Independent	15%
- -	Something else	8%
	SKIPPED/MISSING	4%
50 IE DEMOCDAT IN O.O. Would you call	Strong	73%
50. IF DEMOCRAT IN Q49: Would you call	Strong Not Von Strong	
yourself a strong or a not very strong	Not Very Strong	25%
Democrat? (N=316)	SKIPPED/MISSING	2%



51. IF REPUBLICAN IN Q49. Would you call	Strong	35%
yourself a strong or a not very strong	Not Very Strong	65%
Republican? (N=16)	SKIPPED/MISSING	0%
52. When it comes to politics, would you	Very Conservative	7%
describe yourself as liberal, conservative,	Somewhat Conservative	11%
or neither liberal nor conservative? Select	Closer to Conservative	4%
one, please	TOTAL CONSERVATIVE	22%
	Neither Conservative nor Liberal	48%
	Closer to Liberal	8%
	Somewhat Liberal	6%
	Very Liberal	8%
	TOTAL LIBERAL	22%
	SKIPPED/MISSING	7%
53. Which statement best describes your	Employed full-time	27%
current employment status? Select all that	Employed part-time	12%
apply, please	Retired	21%
	Not employed for pay	6%
	Disabled (unable to work)	22%
	Student	5%
	Other	11%
	SKIPPED/MISSING	3%

THE NEXT QUESTION IS ABOUT THE TOTAL INCOME OF YOUR HOUSEHOLD FOR THE PAST 12 MONTHS. PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR INCOME PLUS THE INCOME OF ALL MEMBERS LIVING IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD (INCLUDING COHABITING PARTNERS AND ARMED FORCES MEMBERS LIVING AT HOME). PLEASE COUNT INCOME BEFORE TAXES AND FROM ALL SOURCES (SUCH AS WAGES, SALARIES, TIPS, NET INCOME FROM A BUSINESS, INTEREST, DIVIDENDS, CHILD SUPPORT, ALIMONY, AND SOCIAL SECURITY, PUBLIC ASSISTANCE, PENSIONS, OR RETIREMENT BENEFITS).



54. Was your total HOUSEHOLD income in the past 12 months . . . Select one, please. 55/56. We would like to get a better estimate of your total HOUSEHOLD income in the past 12 months before taxes. Was it...

Less than \$10,000	27%
\$10,000 to \$29,999	28%
\$30,000 to \$59,999	14%
\$60,000 or more	11%
SKIPPED/MISSING	20%

